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(In Thousands)

Year	Job-seekers on Live Register	Registrations During the Year	Vacancies Notified	Placements effected	Percentage of vacancies notified to registration
1990.	34631.8	6540.6	490.9	264.5	7.5
1991.	36299.7	6235.9	458.6	253.0	7.3
1992.	36758.4	5390.6	419.6	238.7	7.9

Survey on Child Labour in South Asian Countries

3899. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether a survey on child development was conducted recently in five South Asian countries—India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Nepal;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it has been revealed that out of 75 million child labourers, 44 million are in India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and what steps government propose to take for removing the exploitation of the children employed in small industrial units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Release of SC/ST Bonded Labour

3900. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 363 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd March, 1993 and state the percentage of the released bonded labour which belonged to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes community, separately ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : According to the information received from the State Governments, about 53 percent and 19 percent of released bonded labour belong to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes community respectively.

National Income and Wage Policy

3901. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have formulated a National Income and Wage Policy; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The subject of Nationl minimum wage has been considered by several expert bodies in the past, including the National Commission on Labour (1969). It was felt that such a wage in the sense of uniform minimum monetary remuneration for the country as a whole is neither feasible nor desirable.

श्रम कानूनों में संशोधन और इनके कार्यान्वयन के लिए प्रभावशाली मशीनरी की स्थापना करना

3902. डा. जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन : क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 22 फरवरी, 1993 के "फाइनेंशियल एक्सप्रैस" में